

ARKANSAS
WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



* PLANTING ROW CROPS, FERTILIZING AND SPRAYING WHEAT

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RELEASED: May 10,1999 3:00 p.m.– Temperatures for the week were again below normal with rainfall during the first part of the week and the remainder of the week remaining dry according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 4.0 days were suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 2 percent short, 61 percent adequate and 37 percent surplus. The main farming activities of the week included planting of row crops, harvesting hay, flushing rice fields, fertilizing corn, wheat and pasture and spraying wheat for armyworms.

CROPS: Planting of rice, cotton, soybeans, corn, and sorghum was reported by several counties. Fertilizing and applying herbicides to wheat. Tomatoes were reported in 2nd and 3rd string stage, hay was being harvested, and rice fields were being flushed.

LIVESTOCK: Cattle producers continued to market cattle and wean calves. Cattle were given vaccinations, treated for worms, and were reported in good condition statewide.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %				Condition % ¹				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM								
Planted	60	71	61					
COTTON								
Planted	37	34	37					
RICE				0	2	34	51	13
Planted	70	76	75					
Emerged	35	48	46					
SOYBEANS								
Planted	10	19	13					
CORN				0	1	35	54	10
Planted	95	95	96					
Emerged	75	86	NA					
WHEAT				0	3	15	51	31
Headed	97	97	92					
OATS				0	1	20	48	31
Headed	82	85	90					
ALFALFA				0	1	33	55	11
OTH. HAY				0	1	31	60	8
PASTURE				0	2	30	60	8

¹Condition published after at least 10% of crop has emerged, and continues until 90% of crop has been harvested.

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